

June 9, 2010

ITEM NO. B3

RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT AN AWARD AND EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE 2016 FUND FOR CHICAGO NEIGHBORHOODS FOR THE JOBSTART PROGRAM, ENTER INTO SUB-GRANTEE AGREEMENTS AND INCREASE THE COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to execute a grant agreement with the 2016 Fund for Chicago Neighborhoods ("2016 Fund") in the amount of \$12,001,171, increase the comprehensive budget by \$12,001,171 and amend existing agreements with CHA's contracted case management and workforce providers in an aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$12,001,171 to provide 900 CHA youth and 500 CHA adults with job training, skill development and employment opportunities through the JobStart Transitional Jobs Program ("JobStart").

FUNDING

N/A

EXPLANATION

In May 2010, CHA received notice of an award of \$12,001,171 from the 2016 Fund to provide 900 CHA youth ages 16 – 21, with an emphasis on 16-17 year-olds, and 500 TANF eligible CHA adults ages 18 – 61 with job training, skill development and employment opportunities through JobStart.

The JobStart program is funded for residents in selected neighborhoods throughout the City of Chicago that would have been impacted by the economic opportunities (e.g. job development) resulting from the 2016 Olympics had Chicago been selected as the host city. CHA residents residing in the following community areas will be eligible for participation in JobStart: Near West Side; East Garfield Park; Lower West Side; North Lawndale; South Lawndale; Near South Side; Douglas; Oakland; Grand Boulevard; Kenwood; Washington Park; Woodlawn; and Englewood. Related youth and adult employment opportunities (e.g. Put Illinois to Work, Youth Ready Chicago) will be available for residents who do not reside in these eligible community areas.

CHA will amend thirteen (13) existing contracts to provide job training and employment opportunities to CHA youth and adults at worksites throughout Chicago (e.g. community organizations and other private and public employer partners):

- Centers for New Horizons (Contract No. 9121 for FamilyWorks);

- Employment & Employer Services (Contract No. 9124 for FamilyWorks);
- Heartland Human Care Services (Contract No. 9122 for FamilyWorks and Contract No. 8035 for CabriniWorks);
- Holsten Real Estate Development Corporation (Contract 5164 for Community and Supportive Services);
- Jane Addams Hulls House Association (Contract No. 9125 for FamilyWorks);
- LR ABLA (Contract No. 0663 for Community and Supportive Services);
- Metropolitan Family Services (Contract No. 9123 for FamilyWorks);
- Near West Side Community Development Corporation (Contract No. 8083 for the Horner Engagement Program);
- Stateway Associates (Contract No. 5059 for Community and Supportive Services)
- The Community Builders (Contract No. 0575 for Community and Supportive Services);
- TEC Services (Contract No. 9038 for Transitional Jobs); and
- Uhlich Children's Advantage Network (Contract No. 9126 for FamilyWorks).

CHA residents participating in JobStart will receive workforce services including job readiness training, a subsidized job placement through September 30 and supportive services (e.g. transportation and child care assistance). Upon completion of the subsidized placement, participants will receive unsubsidized placement assistance and continued retention services through their FamilyWorks case management provider. CHA will contract with an external vendor to ensure all contractor payrolls are processed accurately and timely.

Based on the foregoing, it is in the best interest of CHA to execute a grant agreement with the 2016 Fund for Chicago Neighborhoods in an amount of \$12,001,171, increase the comprehensive budget by \$12,001,171 and enter into sub-grant agreements with CHA's contracted case management and workforce providers in an aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$12,001,171 to provide 900 CHA youth and 500 TANF eligible CHA adults with job training, skill development and employment opportunities through the JobStart Program.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-CHA-82

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Chicago Housing Authority has reviewed the Board Letter dated June 9, 2010, entitled “RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT AN AWARD AND EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE 2016 FUND FOR CHICAGO NEIGHBORHOODS FOR THE JOBSTART PROGRAM, ENTER INTO SUN-GRANTEE GRANTEE AGREEMENTS AND INCREASE THE COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET”;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY

THAT, the Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, to execute a grant agreement with the 2016 Fund for Chicago Neighborhoods in the amount of \$12,001,171, increase the comprehensive budget by \$12,001,171 and amend existing agreements with CHA’s contracted case management and workforce providers in an aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$12,001,171 to provide 900 CHA youth and 500 CHA adults with job training, skill development and employment opportunities through the JobStart Transitional Jobs Program.

